

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present response is supplemental to the Amendment filed June 4, 2004.

The applicants recognized that in the Amendment filed June 4, 2004, the claims were improperly numbered. More specifically, no original claim 10 was presented and thus only claims 1-9 should have been indicated as canceled, and newly numbered claims 11-19 should have properly been numbered new claims 10-18.

The present Supplemental Amendment is submitted to represent the claims from the Amendment filed June 4, 2004, with the above-noted proper claim numbering.

For the reasons presented in the Amendment filed June 4, 2004, the claims are believed to be allowable.

The present Supplemental Amendment in conjunction with the Amendment filed June 4, 2004 is believed to place the above-identified application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

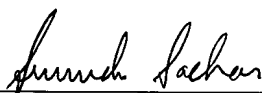
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